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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Preliminary to the initiation of the prosecution of the above-identified pending U.S. patent application, the following amendments are respectfully submitted:

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 $\sqrt{\text{on page 9, line 10, after "interest" insert the word --that--.}$

√on page 9, line 20, change "seed" to --seeds--.

√on page 10, line 8, change "agrobacterium" to --

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Jon page 12, line 8, after "typically", delete --be--.

Jon page 14, line 2, after "crosslinked to", delete "the"

and in its place insert --a--.

 $\sqrt{\text{On page 14, line 2, after "Examples", delete --of--.}}$

On page 16, line 18, change "rev4" to --Rev4--.

On page 16, line 21, change "rev4" to --Rev4--.

 $\sqrt{\text{On page 17, line 2, after "interest" insert --and--.}}$

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